

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 1016

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LCO No. 3689

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Referred to Committee on Education

Introduced by: (ED)

AN ACT CONCERNING SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 10-145 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- 3 (a) No teacher, supervisor, administrator, special service staff 4 member or school superintendent, except as provided for in section 10-5 157, shall be employed in any of the schools of any local or regional 6 board of education unless such person possesses an appropriate state 7 certificate, nor shall any such person be entitled to any salary unless 8 such person can produce such certificate dated previous to or the first 9 day of employment, except as provided for in section 10-157; provided 10 nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the board of 11 education from prescribing qualifications additional to those 12 prescribed by the regulations of the State Board of Education and 13 provided nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any 14 local or regional board of education from contracting with a licensed 15 drivers' school approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for 16 the behind-the-wheel instruction of a driver instruction course, to be

17 given by driving instructors licensed by the Department of Motor 18 Vehicles. No person shall be employed in any of the schools of any 19 local or regional board of education as a substitute teacher unless such 20 person holds a bachelor's degree, provided the Commissioner of 21 Education may waive such requirement for good cause upon the 22 request of a superintendent of schools. No local or regional school 23 board of education shall employ any person through a temporary 24 staffing services organization as a substitute teacher in any of the 25 schools in its district.

(b) If the State Board of Education determines that a local or regional board of education is not in compliance with any provision of sections 10-1440 to 10-149, inclusive, and section 10-220a, the State Board of Education may require the local or regional board of education to forfeit of the total sum which is paid to such board of education from the State Treasury an amount to be determined by the State Board of Education, which amount shall be not less than one thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars. The amount so forfeited shall be withheld from a grant payment, as determined by the commissioner, during the fiscal year following the fiscal year in which determined pursuant to is this noncompliance subsection. Notwithstanding the penalty provision of this section, the State Board of Education may waive such forfeiture if the board determines that the failure of the local or regional board of education to comply with such a provision was due to circumstances beyond its control.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	10-145

Statement of Purpose:

To prevent school districts from using temporary staffing services organizations for the employment of substitute teachers.

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